

What Proof Is There Of The Authenticity Of The Instruction Book

Check the following Criteria

1. Free Of Mistakes
2. Free Of Contradiction
3. Original Text, Not Translation
4. Compatible With Scientific Facts
5. A Complete Answer/Solution To Problems
6. Confirms The Past
7. Stands The Challenge
8. Concept Of God Must Be Explained
9. Book is Named
10. Compilation Must Be Completed Within The Lifetime Of Person In Authority



SCIENTIFIC MIRACLES IN THE QURAN

The Quran on Human Embryonic Development

In the Holy Quran, God speaks about the stages of man's embryonic development:

"We created man from an extract of clay. Then We made him as a drop in a place of settlement, firmly fixed. Then We made the drop into a alaqah (leech, suspended thing and blood clot), then We made the alaqah into a mudghah (chewed substance)..." (Quran, 23:12-14)

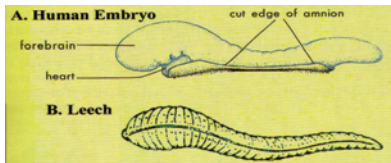
The Arabic word alaqah has three meanings:

1) Leech 2) Suspended thing 3) Blood clot

In comparing a leech to an embryo in the alaqah stage, we find similarity between the two, as seen in the following figure. Also the embryo at this stage obtains nourishment from the blood of the mother, similar to the leech, which feeds on the blood of others.

The second meaning of the word is 'suspended thing'. The suspension of the embryo, during the alaqah stage in the womb of the mother.

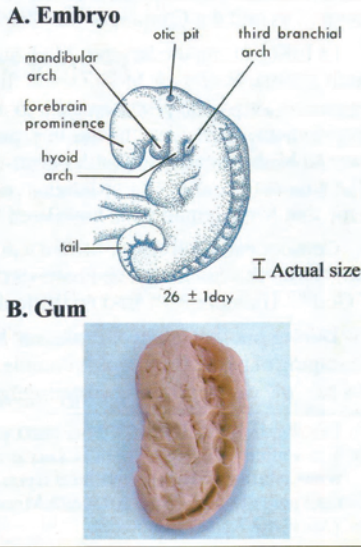
The third meaning is blood clot. We find that the external appearance of the embryo and its sacs during the alaqah stage is similar to that of a blood clot. This is due to the large amounts of blood present in the embryo at this stage. Also during this stage, the blood in the embryo does not circulate until the end of the third week. Thus the



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embryo is like a blood clot at this stage.

The mudghah stage: The Arabic word mudghah means 'chewed substance'. Figure A and B shows that this is a fact. The embryo at the mudghah stage looks very much like a chewed piece of gum



The Quran on Mountains

This is how the Quran has described mountains.

"Have We not made the earth as a bed, and the mountains as pegs?" (Quran, 78:6-7)

Modern earth sciences have proven that mountains have deep roots under the surface of the ground and that these roots can reach several times their elevations above the surface of the ground. The history of science tells us that the theory of mountains having deep roots was introduced only in 1865 by the Astronomer Royal, Sir George Airy.



Mountains also play an important role in stabilising the crust of the earth. God has said in the Quran:

"And He has set firm mountains in the earth so that it would not shake with you..." (Quran, 16:15)



Likewise, the modern theory of plate tectonics holds that mountains work as stabilisers for the earth. This knowledge about the role of mountains as stabilisers for the earth has just begun to be understood in the framework of plate tectonics since the late 1960's.

For more information on the Scientific Miracles in the Quran please refer to 'A Brief Illustrated Guide to Understanding Islam'.

Jesus in Islam Mohammad in the Bible

Jesus (peace be upon him) In Islam

The acceptance of Jesus by Muslims is a fundamental article of faith in Islam. We respect, honour and revere him, because he was chosen by God, as a messenger. Muslims acknowledge his miraculous birth and believe that he will return to earth.



"Behold! The angels said: O Mary! Allah giveth thee glad tidings of a word from Him: his name will be Christ Jesus. The son of Mary held in honour in this world and the Hereafter and of (the company of) those nearest to Allah; "He shall speak to the people in childhood and in maturity. And he shall be (of the company) of the righteous."

Quran (3:45-46) Al-Imran

Mohammed (peace be upon him) in the Bible

OLD TESTAMENT

"Hikko Mamittadim Vilullo Mahamadim Zehdudi Vezem Raai Benote Yapus Halam" (Song of Solomon in Hebrew)

Translation:

"His mouth is most sweet; yea, he is Mohammed (altogether lovely). This is my beloved and this is my friend. O daughter of Jerusalem."

Note: Noun: "Mahamadim" is translated as Adjective "altogether lovely"



NEW TESTAMENT

I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now. Howbeit when HE, the spirit of truth, is come, HE will guide you into all truth: for HE shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever, HE shall hear, that shall HE speak: and HE will show you things to come. HE shall glorify me: for HE shall receive of mine and show it unto you.

John 16 V12-14

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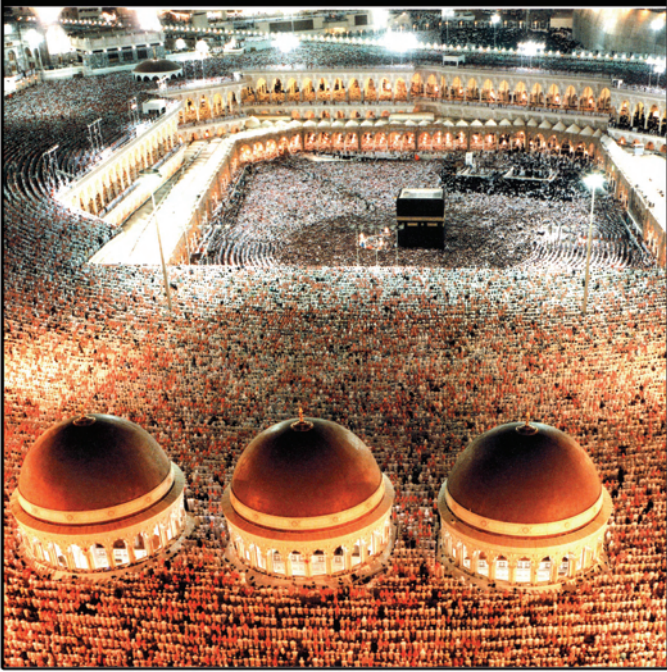
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Purpose of Life



Success & Happiness in this Life & the Life After Death



WHAT IS OUR GOAL IN LIFE?

OUR NEEDS

How we go about achieving the goal of happiness varies. Some believe wealth will bring security and happiness, but each of these goals can only be achieved by recognising the composition of the human body and the needs that arises from them. The Human body is made up of three elements - the body (earthly material), the spirit and living material (body).

- 1. Physical needs eg: body functions such as the heart pumping blood
- 2. Intellectual: Such as the need to learn, apply and interact
- 3. Emotional: Such as to love and be loved
- 4. Spiritual: Such as having purpose, recognising a greater power etc.

HOW TO ACHIEVE YOUR GOALS?

In order to fulfill all our needs, we realise that these can only be fulfilled by a greater power- for example, our Creator ensures that our heart continues to beat 70 times a minute. To maintain such an amazing system, there needs to be a greater power in control- the same power that created the system in the first place.

The same applies to our emotional needs - we can spend our whole lives searching for love but the Creator automatically programs love into parents. For our intellectual needs, who provides us with intellect and the power to learn?

From this we can deduce that by fulfilling our spiritual needs- that is recognising the Creator and recognising His laws, we can find fulfillment of the other needs and find what we are all looking for- SECURITY, WEALTH and HAPPINESS

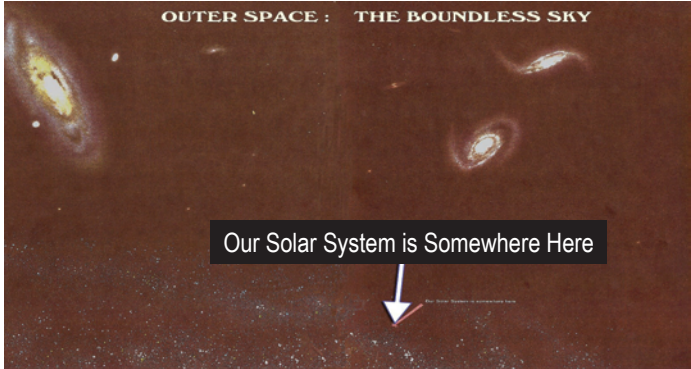
WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF OUR LIFE?

Life is a short journey- it has a starting point and a final destination. Our time on earth is a test from the Creator and the only opportunity to fulfill our goals of success in this life (eg happiness, wealth and security) and the life after death.

COMPARISON OF THIS LIFE AND THE HEREAFTER

This life	Hereafter
Pleasures are limited	Pleasures are unlimited
(70-80) years (if lucky)	Eternal life hereafter
Imagination limited to sensory perceptions	Transcends imagination

ISLAM NOT A NEW RELIGION



Islam is not a new religion but the continuation and culmination of preceding monotheistic religions Christianity and Judaism; the same truth revealed by God to every Prophet.

Whilst recognising all of the previous Prophets and their messages, Muslims believe that the Holy Quran, the final revelation given to the final Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) is the **'last testament'**. The Quran has remained unaltered and unadulterated from the time that it was revealed over 1400 years ago, till today.

No two copies of the Quran are different, because it has been recorded and memorised in its entirety during the lifetime of the Prophet Mohammad (Peace be upon him). It is a complete source, outlining all matters dealing with human beings, spiritual, physical, societal etc.



- Step 1:** Old Testament-The Torah (Primary)
- Step 2:** New Testament-The Bible (Secondary)
- Step 3:** Final Testament-The Quran (University)

DIFFERENCE BETWEEN ISLAM AND CHRISTIANITY

1-THE ONENESS OF GOD - QUR'AN (112:1-4)

Say: He is Allah, the One and Only. Allah, the Eternal, Absolute. He begetteth not, nor is He begotten. And there is none like unto Him.

2- THE REFUSAL OF THE TRINITY - QUR'AN (4:17)

O People of the Book! Commit no excesses in your religion: nor say of Allah aught but the truth. Christ Jesus the son of Mary was (no more than) a Messenger of Allah, and his Word, which He bestowed on Mary, and a Spirit proceeding from Him: so believe in Allah and His messengers. Say not "Trinity": desist: it will be better for you: for Allah is One Allah: glory be to Him: (far exalted is He) above having a son. To Him belong all things in the heavens and on earth. And enough is Allah as a Disposer of affairs.

3- JESUS WAS NOT GOD - QUR'AN (3:59)

The similitude of Jesus before Allah is that of Adam; He created him from dust, then said to him "Be": and he was.

4- JESUS NOT CRUCIFIED - QUR'AN (4:157)

That they said (in boast), "We killed Christ Jesus the son of Mary, the messenger of Allah"; but they killed him not, nor crucified him, but so it was made to appear to them, and those who differ therein are full of doubts, with no (certain) knowledge, but only conjecture to follow, for of a surety they killed him not. Nay, Allah raised him up to Himself; and Allah is Exalted in Power, Wise.

5- NO ORIGINAL SIN

Muslims believe that all humans begin life sinless, gifted with the power of reasoning and choosing between right and wrong.

6- NO PRIESTHOOD IN ISLAM - QUR'AN (3:135-136)

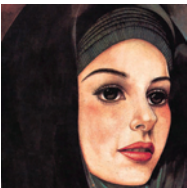
Islam is the way of unity. Any association with God is direct and personal; without the mediation of a priest or Imam.

And those who, having done something to be ashamed of, or wronged their own souls, earnestly bring Allah to mind, and ask for forgiveness for their sins, - and who can forgive sins except Allah?- And are never obstinate in persisting knowingly in (the wrong) they have done. For such the reward is forgiveness from their Lord, and gardens with rivers flowing underneath; an eternal dwelling: how excellent a recompense for those who work (and strive)! Quran (3:135-136)

Questions About Women

Q1) Why do women have to cover up?

The Islamic dress encourages people to view women in terms of their personality and intellect rather than just their physical appearance. Contrary to popular thought, a Muslim woman's dress is not a tool for oppression. Rather, Islamic dress allows women to be more conscious about their emotions, enhancing self-confidence and promoting true character.



The Nun's Dress: In Catholicism, closeness to God is associated with modesty in character which is expressed through chaste clothing.



The Bible: Judge in yourselves: is it comely that a woman pray unto God uncovered? (1 Corinthians 11:13)

Q2) What is the status of women in Islam?

Women are highly honored and respected in Islam. They are equal to men, but different in their nature. Islam gave women rights long before the West. Women have the right to: life, equality, property, money, inheritance, pre-nuptial agreement, sense of security and love.

Questions About Terrorism

Q3) What does Islam say about terrorism?



Islam is a religion that calls to peace and does not advocate needless acts of violence and killing. In a war situation however, defense is allowed and is encouraged, to protect oneself. In the case of suicide bombings, think about how

hopeless and desperate the person is that they take their own most precious and invaluable life. It is as a result of injustice, frustration and rage caused by oppression. Peace can only be achieved when billions of dollars are spent on saving lives and not on military weapons!



Occupied Palestine